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- Four cruisers each with four triple turrets were observed at anchor outside Kronshtadt at the end of August 1953. Two of the cruisers seemed to be quite new. The Oktiabraskaja Revolutsia and about 20 minesweepers had maneuvers outside Leningrad 1. lightship.
- At the Kanonerskij Shipyard, Leningrad a number of merchant ships were under outfit and repair. Two new hulls about 10,000 tons dw were at the quays. At the quay south of the shipyard were three big pontoon cranes. Two of them were engaged in mounting the third crane on the pontoon. The lift capacity of the cranes was calculated to 2. 200 tons per crane.

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